

Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

TOWNSEND AND TOWNSEND AND CREW, LLP TWO EMBARCADERO CENTER EIGHTH FLOOR SAN FRANCISCO CA 94111-3834

COPY MAILED

MAR 1 0 2006

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Patent No. 6,829,753
Issued: 7 December, 2004

Application No. 09/894,857 : ON PETITION

Filed: 27 June, 2001 : Atty Docket No. 020174-005000US :

This is in response to the deficiency fee payment filed pursuant to 37 CFR 1.28(c) on 30 September, 2005.

37 CFR 1.28(c) states, "The deficiency is based on the amount of the fee, for other than a small entity, in effect at the time the deficiency is paid in full."

The Office no longer investigates or rejects original or reissue applications under 37 CFR 1.56. 1098 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 502 (January 3, 1989). Therefore, nothing in this Notice is intended to imply that an investigation was done.

Your fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28 is hereby ACCEPTED.

Small entity status will no longer apply.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3231.

Douglas I. Wood

Senior Petitions Attorney

Office of Petitions